

### **ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE**

[112] At a publisher location, multiple encrypted documents are assembled into a distribution archive that is also encrypted. The distribution archive is then downloaded into a content server at an unsecure site. When the content server receives the  
5 distribution archive, it decrypts the archive file and unpacks the encrypted documents, which are then stored, in encrypted form, in a local document database. When a user logs into the local content server, a secure content viewer is downloaded to the user's browser. The content viewer requests a selected document from the local server, which then forwards the encrypted document to the viewer. The viewer then computes a  
10 document identifier from the encrypted document content and requests a key from the server with the identifier. The server then returns the requested key and the viewer decrypts that document and presents it in a display area controlled by the viewer.